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Mr. Tim Curtin
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Environmental Division
Box 5, Code 184, Building 902
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Re: Base Dump and Oil and Solvent Pits/Sites 26 and 27 - Restriction of access to nearby surface waters

Dear Mr. Curtin:

Per your December 19, 1989 telephone conversation with Nancy Dean of my staff, EPA is recommending access restriction to the ditch and creek across the road from sites 26 and 27.

Ms. Dean, an EPA representative to the December 13, 1989, Technical Review Committee (TRC) visited these sites along with other TRC members. During the visit it was observed that base housing is almost directly across the street from the ditch and creek which at one time received leachate from sites 26 and 27. Since investigation of the sites could be as much as a year away and children from base housing have access to the ditch and creek, EPA recommends interim measures be undertaken now by the Navy to restrict use of the area, pending the results of further investigation.

If you need further information regarding this recommendation, please contact Ms. Dean at (404) 347-5059.

Sincerely yours,

H. Kirk Lucius, Chief

Site Investigation and Support Branch

Waste Management Division

cc: Eric Nuzie, FDER

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